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SUBJECT: DEATH OF MISSING PRIEST CONFIRMED

REF TEGUCIGALPA 3007 AND PREVIOUS

1. DEATH OF FATHER MICHAEL JEROME CYPHER AKA PADRE CASIMIRO CONFIRMED TO CONSOFF LAST NIGHT BY DEPUTY POLICE COMMANDER MADRID. BODY WAS RECOVERED AND IDENTIFIED IN OLANCHO BY SPECIAL HIGH LEVEL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE. MADRID COULD NOT REVEAL FURTHER DETAILS PENDING RETURNING OF COMMISSION AND COMPLETION OF THEIR REPORT.

2. CONSOFF TELEPHONED FR. RALPH VALA IN WISCONSIN AND FR. CLEMENT, PROVINCIAL OF FR. CYPHER'S FRANCISCAN ORDER IN ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS. LATTER WILL NOTIFY FAMILY IN ACCORDANCE DECEASED'S INSTRUCTIONS. HE STATED HE KNEW FR. CYPHER'S WISHES WERE TO BE BURIED LOCALLY AND BELIEVES FAMILY WILL CONCUR. HE WILL CONTACT CONSOFF THIS MORNING WITH FAMILY'S INSTRUCTIONS. ALTHOUGH BADLY DECOMPOSED BODY COULD BE TRANSPORTED TO US IN SEALED COFFIN IF DESIRED.

3. ARA/CEN WACKARBARTH INFORMED OF ABOVE BY TELEPHONE LAST
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